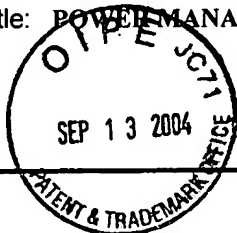


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The references listed on the attached form PTO-1449 relate to the subject matter of the present invention and are brought to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office. The present application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Nonprovisional Application Serial No. 10/364,228 filed February 11, 2003. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Nonprovisional Application Serial No. 09/960,453 filed September 21, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,741,066. The references listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 have been previously submitted or cited in those cases, or are cited in the enclosed European Search Report.

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Finally, the Applicants urge that the claims are patentable over the disclosed information.

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